

# REISSUE DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

(X) Original    () Supplemental    () Substitute    () PCT    () DESIGN

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Title: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

of which is described and claimed in:

( ) the attached specification, or  
 ( ) the specification in application Serial No. \_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_, and with amendments through (if applicable),  
 ( ) the specification in International Application No. \_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_, and as amended on \_\_\_\_ (if applicable), or  
 (X) letters patent number 5,600,672 granted on February 4, 1997 and in the attached specification for which I solicit a reissue patent.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the content of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 (and §172 if this application is for a Design) of any application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	DATE OF FILING	PRIORITY CLAIMED
Japan	3-62798	March 27, 1991	Yes
Japan	3-95813	April 25, 1991	Yes
Japan	3-155650	May 29, 1991	Yes
Japan	3-182236	July 23, 1991	Yes
Japan	4-60739	March 17, 1992	Yes
Japan	5-132984	May 10, 1993	Yes
Japan	5-261612	September 24, 1993	Yes
Japan	5-349972	December 27, 1993	Yes
Japan	6-79668	March 24, 1994	Yes

I verily believe that the above original patent is partly inoperative by reason of claiming more or less than I had a right to claim.

## A Statement of at least One Error

The original patent claims claim more or less than I had a right to claim. For example, the claims do not recite that the apparatus includes an error correction encoder operable to trellis encode the second data stream of a VSB signal having a first and second data streams.

All errors being corrected in this reissue application up to the time of filing of the present declaration arose without any deceptive intention on my part or on my behalf.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

APPLICATION SERIAL NO.	U.S. FILING DATE	STATUS: PATENTED, PENDING, ABANDONED
07/857,627	March 25, 1992	ABANDONED
09/244,037	February 4, 1999	PENDING

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I hereby authorize the U.S. attorneys named herein to accept and follow instructions from AOYAMA & PARTNERS as to any action to be taken in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the U.S. attorneys and myself. In the event of a change in the persons from whom instructions may be taken, the U.S. attorneys named herein will be so notified by me.

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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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The above application may be more particularly identified as follows:

U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ Filing Date September 25, 2000

Applicant Reference Number 532123 MaI Atty Docket No. 2000\_1326

Title of Invention COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of : Attn: BOX REISSUE  
U.S. Patent No. 5,600,672 : Atty. Docket No. 2000\_1326  
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CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE AND 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., the assignee of the entire interest in the above-mentioned letters patent, hereby consents to the above-identified reissue application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) the assignee hereby establishes its ownership of the above-identified U.S. patent by specifying that evidence of such ownership was recorded on October 10, 1996 in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at reel 8174, frame 0306. Accordingly, to the best of the assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee seeking to take this action.

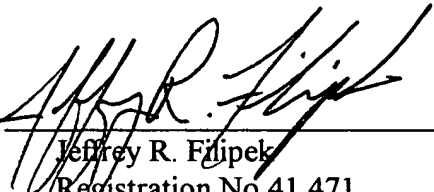
The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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